

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Supplemental Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**For Six Month Period Ending 10/31/2013

(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant

(b) Registration No.

OFFICE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF MARITIME AFFAI 4860

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

VANUATU MARITIME SERVICES LIMITED  
39 BROADWAY, SUITE 2020  
NEW YORK, NY 10006

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

(a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address(es)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(2) Citizenship	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(3) Occupation	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

(b) If an organization:

(1) Name	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(2) Ownership or control	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3) Branch offices	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.Yes ☐ No ☐If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
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(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☐ No ☒

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Date Terminated
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(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or Connection	Foreign Principal	Date Terminated
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6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

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10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes ☐ No ☒

Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☒

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

**III. ACTIVITIES**

11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

The Office of deputy Commissioner, c/c Vanuatu Maritime Services LTD., is responsible for the promotion of the registration of vessels under the Flag of Vanuatu. Part of our services is to contact individuals among the ship industry by letter, fax or phone, email or visits to inform them of Vanuatu registry.  
we prepare official documents on behalf of the Vanuatu Government for ship owners and financial institutions.

12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

<sup>5</sup> The term "political activity" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

**IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION****14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Republic of Vanuatu	contract six month stipend	\$ 390,000.00

\$ 390,000.00

Total

**(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

**(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
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<sup>6, 7</sup> A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

<sup>8</sup> An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

<sup>9</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

**15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Vendors	Office Expenses	\$ 167,501.52
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Vendors	Travel Expenses	\$ 17,071.89
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Vendors	Entertainment	\$ 45.19
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Vendors	Advertising	\$ 2,518.12
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Vendors	Employee Expenses	\$ 360,735.57
5/01/2013- 10/31/2013	Republic of Vanuatu	Fees	\$ 398,586.95

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 \$ 946,459.24

Total

(b) **DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
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(c) **DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☐

No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
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<sup>10, 11</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

## V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup>

Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

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18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- ☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☐ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams  
☐ Advertising campaigns ☐ Press releases ☐ Pamphlets or other publications ☐ Lectures or speeches  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronic Communications**

- ☐ Email  
☐ Website URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Social media websites URL(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Other (specify) a quarterly update \_\_\_\_\_

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- ☐ Public officials ☐ Newspapers ☐ Libraries  
☐ Legislators ☐ Editors ☐ Educational institutions  
☐ Government agencies ☐ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups  
☒ Other (specify) current and potential ship owners \_\_\_\_\_

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- ☒ English ☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☐ No ☒

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.



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**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature<sup>13</sup>)

December 06, 2013

/s/ PATRICK MICHAEL DECHARLES II

eSigned

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<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FARA REGISTRATION UNIT  
NATIONAL SECURITY DIVISION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

**NOTICE**

Please answer the following questions and return this sheet in triplicate with your Supplemental Statement:

1. Is your answer to Item 16 of Section V (Informational Materials – page 8 of Form NSD-2, formerly Form CRM-154 Supplemental Statement):

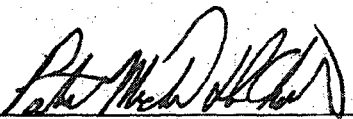
YES ✓ or NO                     

(If your answer to question 1 is "yes" do not answer question 2 of this form.)

2. Do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration:

YES ✓ or NO                     

(If your answer to question 2 is "yes" please forward for our review copies of all material including: films, film catalogs, posters, brochures, press releases, etc. which you have disseminated during the past six months.)

  
Signature

5 Dec 2013  
Date

Patrick Michael DeCharles II  
Please type or print name of  
Signatory on the line above

EXECUTIVE VP / ATTORNEY AT LAW  
Title

**SHORT-FORM REGISTRATION INFORMATION SHEET**

The Department records list active short-form registration statements for the following persons filed on the date indicated by each name. If a person is not currently functioning in the same capacity directly on behalf of the foreign principal, please indicate the date of termination in Item 5 of the supplemental statement.

**Short Form List for Registrant: Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Maritime Affairs**

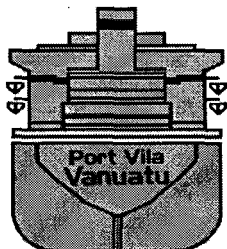
<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>
Bjorkner	Arthur C.	01/04/2008
Rescigno	Dorothy A.	01/04/2008
Sheetz	Donald J.	10/12/1993

	MAY-13	JUNE-13	JULY-13	AUG-13	SEPT-13	OCT-13	Totals
<b>OPERATING</b>							
Rent - 39 Broadway	\$25,918.35	\$15,820.10	\$26,005.50	\$0.00	\$13,176.97	\$13,208.50	\$94,129.42
Offsite Storage-Rent	\$233.55	\$247.45	\$425.28	\$650.41	\$205.65	\$208.04	\$1,970.38
FARA Reg fees	\$0.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$610.00
Insurance - Liability	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance - Workmen's	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$968.79	\$827.31	\$0.00	\$1,796.10
Computer Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21.76	\$3,448.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,469.90
Computer Software	\$0.00	\$869.90	\$284.16	\$754.43	\$835.06	\$0.00	\$2,743.55
Computer Maintenance	\$1,272.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,157.33	\$0.00	\$1,156.79	\$6,586.12
Computer Supplies	\$0.00	-\$677.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$677.79
Copier - Rental	\$443.14	\$443.14	\$1,175.87	\$443.14	\$1,663.62	\$1,586.36	\$5,755.27
Postage Meter - Rental	\$231.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$231.90
US Postal Service-Reset	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Fax - Rental	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Telephone System	\$518.27	\$426.57	\$518.88	\$523.36	\$526.58	\$520.73	\$3,034.39
Prof.Fees - Accounting	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
LICENSES AND	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
PAYROLL SERVICE	\$308.89	\$302.36	\$302.36	\$318.68	\$336.08	\$392.90	\$1,961.27
Repairs & Maintenance	1,823.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,096.86	321.18	\$3,241.70
Depreciation Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subscriptions	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,775.00	\$0.00	\$985.00	\$5,760.00
Dues - Annual	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Off.Sup.	\$2,995.27	\$542.78	\$1,548.98	\$4,305.90	\$1,740.19	\$2,593.55	\$13,726.67
Long Distance Phone	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fax Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Courier Charges -							
General Office	\$8,104.66	\$2,061.94	\$1,715.24	\$2,478.09	\$5,604.06	\$2,983.65	\$22,947.64
Messenger Service -							
General Office	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Outside services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Printing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Corp.Income Tax	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$42,049.69</b>	<b>\$20,341.45</b>	<b>\$32,303.03</b>	<b>\$22,823.27</b>	<b>\$26,012.38</b>	<b>\$23,971.70</b>	<b>\$167,501.52</b>
<b>TRAVEL EXPENSES</b>							
Travel expenses	\$0.00	\$473.79	\$840.28	\$1,085.02	\$1,855.25	\$3,210.42	\$7,464.76
Lodging	\$0.00	\$444.81	\$1,314.14	\$909.81	\$0.00	\$1,528.33	\$4,197.09
Food & beverage	\$1,002.54	\$215.43	\$248.34	\$246.34	\$295.48	\$251.91	\$2,260.04
Attendance Fees	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,150.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,252.54</b>	<b>\$1,134.03</b>	<b>\$2,402.76</b>	<b>\$5,141.17</b>	<b>\$2,150.73</b>	<b>\$4,990.66</b>	<b>\$17,071.89</b>
<b>ENTERTAINMENT</b>							
Entertainment expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tips & Gratuities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45.19
<b>ENTERTAINMENT EXP</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$45.19</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$45.19</b>
<b>ADVERTISING</b>							
Advertising	\$0.00	\$472.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$472.41
Maritime Bulletins	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,075.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,075.00
News Letter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brochure	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fact Files	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Give Aways	\$0.00	\$130.54	\$0.00	\$840.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$970.71
Exhibit -Transport	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADVERTISING</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$602.95</b>	<b>\$1,075.00</b>	<b>\$840.17</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$2,518.12</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$43,302.23</b>	<b>\$22,078.43</b>	<b>\$35,825.98</b>	<b>\$101,206.64</b>	<b>\$28,163.11</b>	<b>\$28,962.36</b>	<b>\$187,136.72</b>
<b>EMPLOYEE</b>							
Insurance	\$17,915.38	\$17,915.88	\$9,189.14	\$462.90	\$17,915.38	\$9,189.14	\$72,587.82
Payroll Expenses	\$3,254.70	\$3,169.01	\$3,199.01	\$3,350.86	\$3,301.90	\$3,294.56	\$19,570.04
Salary Expense	\$43,773.84	\$42,653.84	\$42,933.84	\$46,142.27	\$44,273.84	\$43,953.84	\$263,731.47
Employer 401k	\$781.36	\$781.36	\$820.88	\$820.88	\$820.88	\$820.88	\$4,846.24
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYEE EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$65,725.28</b>	<b>\$64,520.09</b>	<b>\$56,142.87</b>	<b>\$50,776.91</b>	<b>\$66,312.00</b>	<b>\$57,258.42</b>	<b>\$360,735.57</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$65,725.28</b>	<b>\$64,520.09</b>	<b>\$56,142.87</b>	<b>\$186,388.24</b>	<b>\$66,312.00</b>	<b>\$57,258.42</b>	<b>\$547,872.29</b>
<b>TRANSFERS TO GOVERNMENT</b>							
MARINE	\$25,350.00	\$10,150.00	\$4,350.00	\$2,175.00	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00	\$48,525.00
MARINE	\$4,580.00	\$805.12	\$469.72	\$113.40	\$399.32	\$417.40	\$6,784.96
RESIDUAL ANZ	\$140,490.46	\$48,606.64	\$72,300.89	\$25,114.19	\$22,243.17	\$34,521.64	\$343,276.99
<b>TOTAL SENT TO GOVT.</b>	<b>\$170,420.46</b>	<b>\$59,561.76</b>	<b>\$77,120.61</b>	<b>\$27,402.59</b>	<b>\$25,892.49</b>	<b>\$38,189.04</b>	<b>\$398,586.95</b>

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Mr. Matt Bonvento (Senior Manager of Safety) and Mr. Robert Bohn, CEO of VMSL in the Vanuatu booth at Bari-Ship 2013.

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### **MLC 2006**

The ILO Maritime Labor Convention will come into force on 20 August 2013. If your vessel plans to call in any country that has ratified the convention, your vessel will need to be in compliance. VMSL has drafted its DMLC Part I for vessel registered with Vanuatu. It has also issued its policy/instructions regarding the MLC 2006 under Maritime Bulletin #112. Both can be found on the website or if you prefer VMSL-NY can send you copies via email.

### **ECDIS**

ECDIS training has now become a reality under amendments to the STCW convention and from July this year mandatory ECDIS carriage requirements start to be phased in. The Nautical Institute president says: "ECDIS is a complex system and will be one of the most essential tools for supporting mariners in their efforts to ensure the safety of navigation and protection of the marine environment."

VMSL has once again qualified for placement on the USCG's Quality Shipping for the 21 Century (Qualship 21) Program for 2013

VMSL attended and exhibited a booth at Bari-Ship 2013 held in Imabari Japan in May of 2013

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) is seeking widespread input on the administrative burdens that may result from compliance with IMO instruments.

The intention is to gather data from a broad spectrum of stakeholders from which recommendations on how to alleviate administrative burdens can be developed. The Organization recognizes that some administrative requirements contained in IMO instruments may have become unnecessary, disproportionate or even obsolete, and is committed to reducing their impact. This, says IMO, would not only be beneficial in its own right, it would also help to release resources that could then be channeled towards the Organization's overall goals of improving safety and security in shipping and reducing its negative impact on the environment.

The consultation process is being carried out through a dedicated website, which is accessible from the IMO website (<http://www.imo.org/OurWork/rab>). It offers practical information and guidance to participants in the consultation and includes a questionnaire to be filled in and submitted electronically.

The consultation is open to everyone, including the general public. Particular target groups are all maritime stakeholders, including:

The consultation process will end on 31 October 2013. After it has been completed, a steering group established by the IMO Council will analyze the responses to identify those administrative requirements that are perceived as burdens, and will make recommendations to the Council as to how any such burdens should be addressed.

# UPDATE

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## Change of Government

The government of Prime Minister Kilman has come to an abrupt end. He had been elected Prime Minister after a vote of no confidence in his then coalition partner and Prime Minister, who was out of the country at the time. The end to Kilman's reign came by another vote of no confidence, this time led by The Green Party president, Moana Carcasses, who until then had been Mr. Kilman's coalition partner.

After some tense moments and appeals to the Supreme Court, the motion of no confidence was court approved as in order and 33 of the 52 Members of Parliament voted in favour of Mr. Carcasses. He is the first naturalized citizen to be so elected, being part Tahitian and part French, but having grown up in Vanuatu from childhood.

The undertakings of the new government look very promising and time will tell if they will be able to deliver what they have promised to accomplish in their first 100 days.

## 100 Day Action List

The new Prime Minister has issued a 68-point action plan for his new government, with regular media updates promised on the progress of the government to achieve the actions listed. Most are long needed but never seem to be accomplished. He has undertaken to press hard for their completion. They include limiting overseas trips, reviewing travel allowances for government officials, strengthening the Ombudsman's Act, auditing the issuance of citizenship to ensure the law has been followed, reviewing the appointments of all Vanuatu Ambassadors, consuls, trade representatives etc and many more actions. If accomplished, the country will greatly benefit.

## Submarine Fibre-Optic Cable Now under Vanuatu Control

In a brilliant move, the Vanuatu National Provident Fund ("VNPF") has made an 11<sup>th</sup> hour successful bid to become the largest shareholder in the new fibre-optic submarine cable linking Vanuatu to the world, via a cable to Fiji which joins there with the Southern Cross cable which runs from the USA to Australia.

The VNPF will start with a 37.5% ownership, with an option exercisable at any time in the next five years, that can bring that percentage up to 50%. Together with the Post Office and the Vanuatu Government, they will have 70% of the benefit of the cable for the people of Vanuatu.

## Tom Bayer and Reserve Bank of Vanuatu

Tom Bayer, our group's Chairman, had his appointment to the board of the Reserve Bank of Vanuatu allegedly terminated by the Finance Minister the day before the vote of no confidence in the Prime Minister was scheduled. After the fall of the government, the new Prime Minister clarified that the termination had not taken effect and that Mr. Bayer would continue to be a member of the Board.

## National Bank of Vanuatu

Both the Vanuatu National Provident Fund and the Asian Development Bank have taken 15% each of the ordinary shares in the National Bank of Vanuatu. This strengthens the National Bank and brings new expertise to its board. It is hoped the increased capital base will allow more National Bank Vanuatu lending to the rural sector.

## WTO Port Vila Reference Centre

A WTO Reference Centre has been established in Port Vila with the Department of External Trade, for the use of government officials, private sector business people and academics. The intention is to provide WTO information and to diffuse the complaints that people in Vanuatu do not know the restrictions now imposed on Vanuatu.

## Robert Bohn's Election to Parliament Confirmed

Robert Bohn, Group CEO, was elected to Parliament late last year. Losing candidates in his electorate filed a petition in the Supreme Court contending that he was not qualified to run as he was not native born and not born in his electorate. The Supreme Court ruled in favour of Mr. Bohn confirming his constitutional right to run for Parliament. He received 50% more votes than any other candidate in his electorate.

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